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PATENT

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In re Application of:

Holly H. HOGREFE et al.

Serial No.: 08/957,709

Filed: October 24, 1997

For: POLYMERASE ENHANCING FACTOR
(PEF) EXTRACTS, PEF PROTEIN
COMPLEXES, ISOLATED PEF
PROTEINS, AND METHODS FOR
PURIFYING AND IDENTIFYING THEM

Group Art Unit: 1652

Examiner: D. Ramirez

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AMENDMENT

Applicants now respond to the Final Office Action mailed August 9, 2005 ("Action"). On February 9, 2006, Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal and a Petition for Three Month Extension of Time. Applicants are filing a Request for Continued Examination and a Petition for Two Month Extension of Time with this Amendment.

Amendments to the claims appear at pages 2 to 5.

Remarks begin at page 6.